GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ANTI INDIA PROPAGANDA BY PAK HIGH COMMISSIONS
Pathak Shri Brajesh

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Pakistani High Commissions situated in other countries are allegedly engaged in anti-India propaganda and providing security to terrorists;

(b) If so, the number of such cases reported to the Union Government during the last three years;

(c) Whether the Government has taken up or proposes to take up this with the concerned countries;

(d) If so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the concerned countries thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) to (e): Pakistan is known to carry out anti-India propaganda on various issues, especially on Jammu and Kashmir. Pakistan also supports non-Governmental organizations and institutions which conduct seminars, demonstrations, etc. on Jammu and Kashmir; its High Commissions and Embassies in third countries regularly participate in and provide support to such events.

Government have appropriately brought to the attention of the third country, and also taken up the issue directly with Pakistan, whenever instances of dissemination of propagandist and false information by Pakistan have come to its notice. Our concerns on terrorism have been consistently brought to the attention of Pakistan and the international community. The Government has, in its interaction with Pakistan, continuously emphasized the criticality of the fulfilment of President Musharraf`s commitment of January 6, 2004 not to permit any territory under Pakistan`s control to be used to support terrorism in any manner.